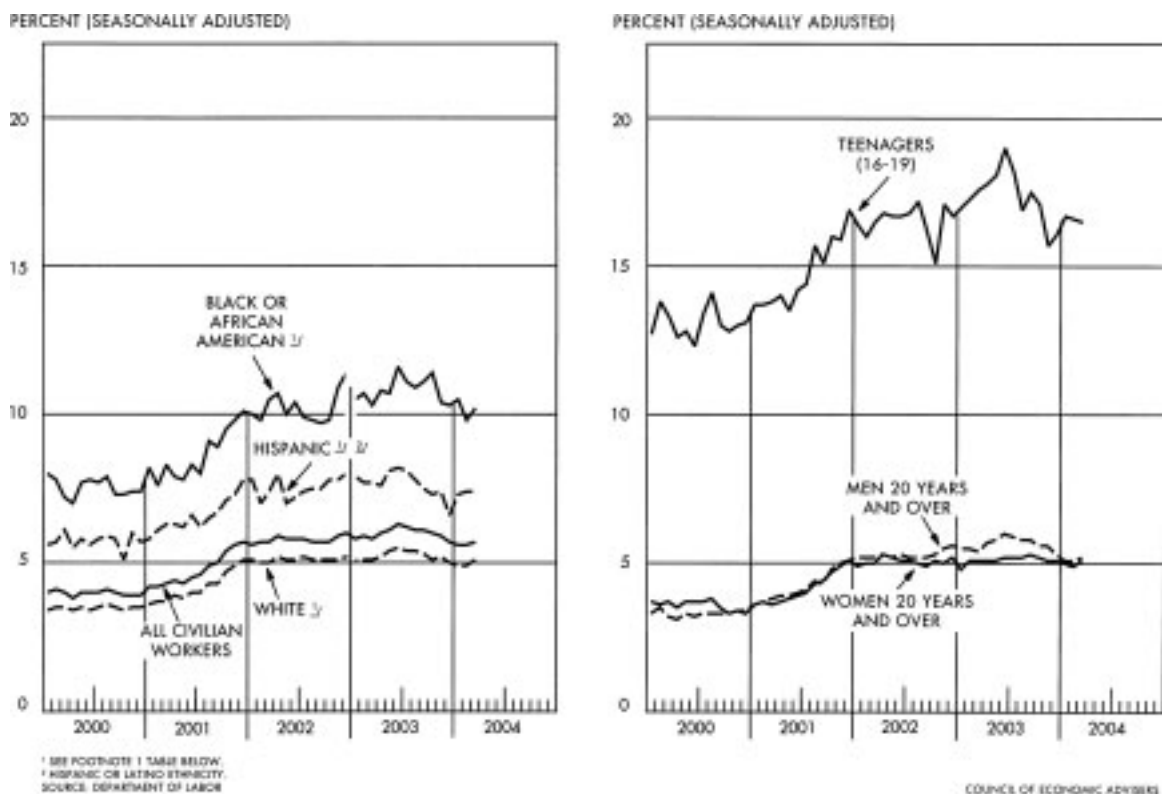


SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

In March, the unemployment rate rose to 5.7 percent from 5.6 percent in February.



[Monthly data seasonally adjusted]

Period	Unemployment rate (percent of civilian labor force in group)											
	All civilian workers	By sex and age			By race or ethnicity ¹				By selected groups			
		Men 20 years and over	Women 20 years and over	Both sexes 16-19 years	White	Black or African American	Asian (NSA)	Hispanic or Latino ethnicity	Married men, spouse present	Women who maintain families (NSA)	Full-time workers	Part-time workers
1994 ²	6.1	5.4	5.4	17.6	5.3	11.5	.....	9.9	3.7	8.9	6.1	6.0
1995	5.6	4.8	4.9	17.3	4.9	10.4	.....	9.3	3.3	8.0	5.5	6.0
1996	5.4	4.6	4.8	16.7	4.7	10.5	.....	8.9	3.0	8.2	5.3	5.8
1997	4.9	4.2	4.4	16.0	4.2	10.0	.....	7.7	2.7	8.1	4.8	5.5
1998	4.5	3.7	4.1	14.6	3.9	8.9	.....	7.2	2.4	7.2	4.3	5.3
1999	4.2	3.5	3.8	13.9	3.7	8.0	.....	6.4	2.2	6.4	4.1	5.0
2000	4.0	3.3	3.6	13.1	3.5	7.6	3.6	5.7	2.0	5.9	3.8	4.8
2001	4.7	4.2	4.1	14.7	4.2	8.6	4.5	6.6	2.7	6.6	4.7	5.1
2002	5.8	5.3	5.1	16.5	5.1	10.2	5.9	7.5	3.6	8.0	5.9	5.2
2003	6.0	5.6	5.1	17.5	5.2	10.8	6.0	7.7	3.8	8.5	6.1	5.5
2003: Mar	5.8	5.4	5.1	17.6	5.1	10.3	6.5	7.7	3.8	8.4	5.9	5.5
Apr	6.0	5.7	5.1	17.8	5.2	10.8	5.8	7.6	3.8	8.5	6.1	5.4
May	6.1	5.8	5.1	18.1	5.4	10.7	5.1	8.1	3.9	8.3	6.2	5.6
June	6.3	6.0	5.2	19.0	5.5	11.6	7.8	8.2	4.3	8.7	6.4	5.9
July	6.2	5.9	5.2	18.2	5.4	11.1	6.2	8.1	3.9	9.0	6.3	5.5
Aug	6.1	5.8	5.2	16.9	5.4	10.9	5.9	7.8	3.9	8.4	6.2	5.3
Sept	6.1	5.8	5.3	17.5	5.3	11.1	6.2	7.5	3.8	8.5	6.2	5.7
Oct	6.0	5.6	5.2	17.1	5.1	11.4	6.1	7.3	3.8	8.4	6.1	5.5
Nov	5.9	5.6	5.1	15.7	5.2	10.4	5.2	7.4	3.7	8.3	6.1	5.1
Dec	5.7	5.3	5.1	16.1	5.0	10.3	5.3	6.6	3.3	8.4	5.8	5.3
2004: Jan	5.6	5.1	5.0	16.7	4.9	10.5	5.2	7.3	3.3	8.3	5.7	5.4
Feb	5.6	5.1	4.9	16.6	4.9	9.8	4.7	7.4	3.4	8.1	5.6	5.2
Mar	5.7	5.2	5.1	16.5	5.1	10.2	4.2	7.4	3.2	8.4	5.8	5.4

¹ Beginning in 2003, persons who selected this race group only. Prior to 2003, persons who reported more than one race were included in the group they identified as the main race. Persons whose ethnicity is identified as Hispanic or Latino may be of any race.

² See footnote 2, p. 11.

NOTE.—Data relate to persons age 16 years and over.

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.